

nature. When he returned it was to his *Father* and to himself. No matter how abused by neglect and dissipation, deep in each human heart there is the seed of immortality, the lingering foretoken of the infinite. As such every human heart yet claims our regard and our help. While the redeemed are the friends of God, co-heirs with Christ, called to attain unto the resurrection into endless life.

Do not lose faith in yourself nor in men. The men oppress each other, tho they trespass upon each other's rights and misuse and degrade their own faculties and powers; nevertheless it is all but the errors incident to struggling after the best in life, an attempt to get the most out of life, a blind groping after something better than is already known. Even among the most perverted there prevails some sense of honor, some rude devotion to principle. It may be in the light of our knowledge and life that honor would appear an offense and that principle base; but it is an evidence of the good in sinful men. John Ruskin in his declaration prepared for the Guild of Saint George has these beautiful words, "I trust in the nobleness of human nature, in the majesty of its faculties, the fulness of its mercy, and the joy of its love." That I think is the proper attitude to take toward mankind. Can we not all say of ourselves the words which Lord Macauley applies to the Puritans in one of his matchless essays? "The very meanest of them was a being to whose fate a mysterious and terrible importance belonged, on whose slightest actions the spirits of light and darkness looked with anxious interest, who had been destined, before heaven and earth were created, to enjoy a felicity which should continue when heaven and earth should have passed away. Events which short-sighted politicians ascribed to earthly causes had been ordained on his account. For his sake empires had risen, and flourished, and decayed. For his sake the Almighty had proclaimed his will by the pen of the Evangelist, and the harp of the prophet. He had been rescued by no common deliverer from the grasp of no common foe. He had been ransomed by the sweat of no vulgar agony, by the blood of no earthly sacrifice. It was for him that the sun had been darkened, that the rocks had been rent, that the dead had arisen that all nature had shuddered at the sufferings of her expiring God!"

In the January issue of the Ladies' home Journal Mr. Bok devoted his editorial page to a number of excerpts from letters written to him from time to time by the parents of children who had fallen victims to the pernicious practice of cramming in our public schools. It was dedicated to the "American Parent," and attracted much attention from parents and educators alike. The most signal tribute to its value came in the form of a request from Charles M. Skinner, State Superintendent of Schools in New York. He asked for 10,000 copies of the page to distribute among the teachers of New York. These were printed for him, and with each one he sent an appeal that the warning given be heeded.

#### Ashland College

The weather was unfavorable for those new Easter bonnets nevertheless they appeared. When the fulness of time comes the inevitable must be revealed.

On last Saturday was another exodus of great men from College Hill. On Sunday Prof. C. O. Witter preached at Williamstown, Wm. Beachler at Miamisburg, Frank B. Yoder at South Bend,

E. D. Burnworth at Glenford, J. E. Braker at Ankenytown, H. M. Oberholtzer at Mansfield, D. F. Eikenberry at Pittsburg and Alvin Byers at Louisville.

Another theological student, Wm. C. Benshoff, arrived Monday morning from Johnstown, Pa. Since Prof. Furry was down to Johnstown during the holidays and since R. v. Haskins has visited our College, his church has been rallying her forces nobly for the cause of education and ultimately for the cause of Christ and the church.

D. F. Eikenberry has been laboring in Pittsburg during the week just past. A letter from him brings good news. On his return he will bring with him "the silver tongued orator of the Antilles," a missionary woman from the Island of Hayti. She was recently baptized by Brother Bole and has become a full-fledged Brethren. Her plan is to go to Africa and open a mission there. God is in many ways calling us as a church to go forth and say no longer, "Wait until we are ready."

A. R. Bemendefer and family are now in charge of the dormitory. The students are pleased with the choice that the Board made. We have already learned to like them, their kindness toward us and interest in us being manifest.

Prof. Furry preached the Easter sermon in College chapel. His subject which he treated very carefully, helpfully and eloquently was, "Attaining unto Immortality." The Resurrection is not a miracle, but the fulfillment of nature in conformity with law. Resurrection is the soul's escape upward. Life not death is the significant word with Jesus. Life is the rule, death the exception.

"Father and Mother Keim" with tears in their eyes departed from the dormitory. A royal brigade of their boys and girls were present at the depot to bid them farewell and to show a little of the appreciation of their unceasing labors. They go to their pleasant home in Louisville with the respect and love of all the people on College Hill. May they yet be permitted to enjoy many years of pleasant home life.

Our Junior Society of Christian Endeavor under the direction of Mrs. A. H. Lichty gave an Easter entertainment. This noble little band of workers numbers over forty. They hold a meeting of their own every Sunday afternoon, they do their part willingly, they carry flowers to the sick, thus they will grow up and become loyal servants of Jesus. We cannot say too much in praise of the faithful and tireless labors of Mrs. Lichty with these boys and girls whose future is hidden but whose possibilities are great.

Miss Grace Switzer spent Easter with her parents in Warsaw, Ind. She reported a very successful recital in Johnstown. During the early part of this week Miss Switzer will return to Ashland and begin her work for the Spring term.

GEO. C. CARPENTER.

## Publishers' Notes

### Monthly Statements

April first has come and gone. It found us with quite a number of credits on our books. We have mailed a statement of accounts to every one owing us over 60 days, and we thank you in advance for your remittances.

### "Doctrinal" Number

Extensive preparations are being made to make this number as nearly perfect as possible. It will be issued in just four weeks. The number will be mailed on May 7. You have only a short time in which to place your orders. Better do it today, before you forget it. We want no money now. Write us and tell us how many copies we shall

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Every order for Literature, both papers and Quarterlies has been filled and mailed. If your goods have not reached you by the time you read this paper, please write us *at once*. We are exceedingly anxious that every penny's worth of goods you order shall reach you. And as before stated, we will mail your order several times rather than not have you receive what you order and pay for.

### Those "Dec. 02" Labels

We have had some requests to correct peoples' labels recently. They say they are paid to Jan. 1, 1903 and our label says to Dec. 02. Please bear in mind this one point: Whenever your label bears only the month and the year as Dec. 02, your subscription expires with the *end* of the month, and *not* the beginning. Then you can see how Dec. 02 extends up to New Years. We thank you for your inquiries and trust we may be thoroughly understood.

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A number of orders for Brother Holsinger's History have been received and the books have been ordered from the Publishers. Many more copies will be disposed of soon. This is a good time to read. Why not get your book now and read it before the busy spring work opens up? You all mean to have the book. Our last announcement was misunderstood by some people. We are not running opposition to any of Brother Holsinger's other agents and in order to make our position clear to every one, we can furnish the book *only on these terms*: Any one sending us \$4 00 cash will have their subscription to the EVANGELIST extended one year from date of expiration and receive the Holsinger History bound in cloth, postpaid. Or \$4 50 cash will extend your EVANGELIST one year and bring to you, postpaid, the book in leather binding. Address all orders to, Brethren Publication Board.

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### Missionary Conference

To all whom it may concern: The Pennsylvania State conference decided that Quarterly Missionary conferences should be held during the ecclesiastical year. One has been held at Listie in November, 1901, more than three months ago. Are there any of the churches in Pennsylvania that have a desire to entertain these conferences? If so, will you please correspond with either of the members of your committee.

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### North Manchester, Ind.

Brother C. F. Yoder was with us and preached for us on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights of this week. We were pleased to have him with us and felt that we were fortunate in securing him even for this short meeting which was entirely too short and might have resulted in much good could he have continued the work. We rejoice however to know that two young ladies were made ready to start in the Master's service. May they find in him sweet fellowship and joy.

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